

## Message Text

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TAGS: ETRD, EAGR, DR  
SUBJECT: SUGAR DEVELOPMENTS

REF: (A) STATE 67138, (B) SANTO DOMINGO 1584, (C) SANTO DOMINGO 1184

1. FOLLOWING IS UPDATE OF MOST RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN SUGAR FROM DR PERSPECTIVE, WHICH MAY BE REFLECTED IN GODR POSITION AT BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS VANCOUVER DURING IDB MEETING.

2. DESPITE FACT THAT GODR HAS SIGNED ISA AND HAS GIVEN ITS NOTIFICATION OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION, IT CONTINUES TO THRASH ABOUT IN SEARCH OF A WAY TO ALLEVIATE THE ANTICIPATED NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF THE ISA ON THE DOMINICAN ECONOMY, CAUSED IN THE DR'S VIEW BY AN ISA-ASSIGNED EXPORT QUOTA FOR THE DR WHICH IS TOO LOW RELATIVE TO ITS PRODUCTION CAPACITY, AND WHICH REQUIRES THE DR TO BEAR AN INORDINATE SHARE OF THE BURDEN OF EXPORT CUTBACKS.

3. THE GODR ADVISED THE USG BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE (REF C) THAT IT HAD SIGNED THE ISA, AND THAT IT WAS GIVING ITS NOTIFICATION OF PROVISIONAL APPLICATION, BUT THAT IT LOOKED TO US SUPPORT OF ITS EFFORTS AT OBTAINING A HIGHER EXPORT QUOTA. ACCORDING TO RECENT  
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PRESS REPORTS, THE GODR WILL TRY TO HAVE ITS EXPORTS TO VENEZUELA (ESTIMATED AT ABOUT 150,000 METRIC TONS) NOT RPT NOT INCLUDED IN THE ISA AGREED EXPORT QUOTA. THE DR BASES ITS POSITION ON THE FACT THAT VENEZUELA IS REGISTERED IN THE ISO AS AN EXPORTER RATHER THAN AN IMPORTER, AND THUS VENEZUELAN SUGAR IMPORTS FROM THE DR WILL NOT AFFECT THE SUGAR SITUATION AS VISUALIZED UNDER THE ISA.

4. GODR UNDOUBTEDLY AWARE OF USG CONSIDERATION OF FURTHER UNILATERAL MEASURES THAT MIGHT BE TAKEN IN SUPPORT OF US SUGAR INDUSTRY, AND WOULD WELCOME STATUS REPORT. AS WASHINGTON AWARE, GODR CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT USG SHOULD RE-INSTITUTE IMPORT QUOTA SYSTEM AS AN ASSURED WAY OF CONTROLLING IMPORT LEVELS, RAISING PRICES (WITH BENEFITS ACCRUING TO LDC EXPORTERS), AND MAINTAINING MARKET POSITIONS OF TRADITIONAL SUPPLIERS.

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